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TEXT OF UN RESOLUTION 32/8 FOLLOWS:

SAFETY OF INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

RECOGNIZING THAT THE ORDERLY FUNCTIONING OF INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AIR TRAVEL UNDER CONDITIONS GUARANTEEING THE SAFETY OF ITS OPERATIONS IS IN THE INTEREST OF ALL PEOPLES AND PROMOTES AND PRESERVES FRIENDLY RELATIONS AMONG STATES,

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RECALLING ITS RESOLUTION 2645 (XXV) OF 25 NOVEMBER 1970, IN WHICH IT RECOGNIZED THAT ACTS OF AERIAL HIJACKING OR OTHER WRONGFUL INTERFERENCE WITH CIVIL AIR TRAVEL JEOPARDIZE THE LIVES AND SAFETY OF PASSENGERS AND CREW AND CONSTITUTE A VIOLATION OF THEIR HUMAN RIGHTS,

RECALLING ALSO ITS RESOLUTION 2551 (XXIV) OF 12

DECEMBER 1969 AS WELL AS SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 286 (1970) OF 9 SEPTEMBER 1970 AND THE COUNCIL'S DECISION OF 20 JUNE 1972,

- 1. REITERATES AND REAFFIRMS ITS CONDEMNATION OF ACTS OF AERIAL HIJACKING OR OTHER INTERFERENCE WITH CIVIL AIR TRAVEL THROUGH THE THREAT OR USE OF FORCE, AND ALL ACTS OF VIOLENCE WHICH MAY BE DIRECTED AGAINST PASSENGERS, CREW AND AIRCRAFT, WHETHER COMMITTED BY INDIVIDUALS OR STATES;
- 2. CALLS UPON ALL STATES TO TAKE ALL NECESSARY STEPS. TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE RELEVANT RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND THE INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION. TO PREVENT ACTS OF THE NATURE REFERRED TO IN PARAGRAPH 1 ABOVE, INCLUDING THE IMPROVEMENT OF SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS AT AIRPORTS OR BY AIRLINES AS WELL AS THE EXCHANGE OF RELEVANT INFORMATION, AND TO THIS END TO TAKE JOINT AND SEPARATE ACTION. SUBJECT TO RESPECT FOR THE PURPOSES AND PRINCIPLES OF THE CHARTER OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND FOR THE RELEVANT UNITED NATIONS DECLARATIONS. COVENANTS AND RESOLUTIONS AND WITHOUT PREJUDICE TO THE SOVEREIGNTY OR TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF ANY STATE, IN CO-OPERATION WITH THE UNITED NATIONS AND THE INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION. TO ENSURE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THAT PASSENGERS, CREW AND AIRCRAFT ENGAGED IN CIVIL AVIATION ARE NOT USED AS A MEANS OF EXTORTING ADVANTAGE OF ANY KIND:

- 3. APPEALS TO ALL STATES WHICH HAVE NOT YET BECOME PARTIES TO THE CONVENTION ON OFFENCES AND CERTAIN OTHER ACTS COMMITTED ON BOARD AIRCRAFT, SIGNED AT TOKYO ON 14 SEPTEMBER 1963, THE CONVENTION FOR THE SUPPRESSION OF UNLAWFUL SEIZURE OF AIRCRAFT, SIGNED AT THE HAGUE ON 16 DECEMBER 1970, AND THE CONVENTION FOR THE SUPPRESSION OF UNLAWFUL ACTS AGAINST THE SAFETY OF CIVIL AVIATION, SIGNED AT MONTREAL ON 23 SEPTEMBER 1971, TO GIVE URGENT CONSIDERATION TO RATIFYING OR ACCEDING TO THOSE CONVENTIONS;
- 4. CALLS UPON THE INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION TO UNDERTAKE URGENTLY FURTHER EFFORTS WITH A VIEW TO ENSURING THE SECURITY OF AIR TRAVEL AND PREVENTING THE RECURRENCE OF ACTS OF THE NATURE REFERRED TO IN PARAGRAPH 1 ABOVE, INCLUDING THE REINFORCEMENT OF ANNEX 17 TO THE CONVENTION ON INTER-

NATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION,	SIGNED AT	CHICAGO	ON 7
DECEMBER 1944;			

5. APPEALS TO ALL GOVERNMENTS TO MAKE SERIOUS STUDIES OF THE ABNORMAL SITUATION RELATED TO HIJACKING.

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